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**HOUSE BILL 339**

**44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2000**

**INTRODUCED BY**

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**AN ACT**

**RELATING TO EDUCATION; INCREASING THE DUTIES OF THE STATE  
AUDITOR TO CONDUCT ADDITIONAL VERIFICATIONS WHEN AUDITING THE  
STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION; MAKING AN  
APPROPRIATION.**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:**

**Section 1. A new section of the Audit Act is enacted to  
read:**

**"[NEW MATERIAL] ADDITIONAL AUDIT REQUIREMENTS--  
VERIFICATION AUDITS--PUBLIC SCHOOLS.--**

**A. The state auditor shall annually conduct  
verification audits of the membership enrollment and  
instructional staff training and experience index of one-  
third of the public school districts. The state auditor**

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1 shall notify the state department of public education of any  
2 discrepancies found in the verification audits.

3 B. The state department of public education shall  
4 adjust the figures in the program cost calculations in the  
5 succeeding fiscal years for the school districts with  
6 discrepancies reported by the state auditor. "

7 Section 2. APPROPRIATION. -- One hundred fifty thousand  
8 dollars (\$150,000) is appropriated from the general fund to  
9 the department of finance and administration for expenditure  
10 in fiscal year 2001 to distribute to public schools with  
11 additional costs resulting from the verification audits of  
12 the membership enrollments and the instructional staff  
13 training and experience index conducted annually by the state  
14 auditor or his designated independent auditor. Any  
15 unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of  
16 fiscal year 2001 shall revert to the general fund.